



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

June 27, 2002

S. 2621

An act to provide a definition of vehicle for purposes of criminal penalties relating to terrorist attacks and other acts of violence against mass transportation systems

As passed by the Senate on June 25, 2002

The USA PATRIOT Act of 2001 (Public Law 107-56) established a new federal offense for acts of violence against mass transportation systems. S. 2621 would clarify the definition of the term “vehicle” as used in that act. CBO estimates that implementing S. 2621 would result in no significant costs to the federal government. The legislation could affect direct spending and receipts through greater collections of criminal fines, so pay-as-you-go procedures would apply. However, CBO estimates that any effects on direct spending or receipts would not be significant because of the small number of cases likely to be affected.

S. 2621 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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